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VIGOROUS NOTE ON SUBMARINES

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AND WILL GO FORWARD.

Some Indications that Berlin Has Desire to Meet Wishes if The Contentions are Proven — Von Bernstorff's Visit.

Washington, April 18.—The cabinet discussion of the submarine crisis resulted in no change of the situation and it was announced that nothing had come up to prevent the immediate dispatch of the American note to Germany as planned.

Count Von Bernstorff's engagement to discuss the situation with Secretary Lansing in general terms, it was indicated will not delay the sending of the note or cause any change in its terms.

There were some indications that Ambassador Gerard had been informed by the Berlin foreign office of its desire to meet the wishes of the United States if it is shown that the German submarine was destroyed by the German government's instructions and that Count Von Bernstorff was authorized to make such a statement in general terms to Secretary Lansing.

Secretary Lansing and President Wilson conferred on the communication to Germany on submarine warfare which the president completed Monday night.

The document is said to be the most vigorous diplomatic paper President Wilson and Secretary Lansing ever have drafted. It covers the activities of the German submarines since the Lusitania affair and is intended to force the question of a speedy settlement of the submarine issue by making plain that only an immediate change in Berlin's policy can prevent a rupture in the friendly relations between the two countries.

Chairman Stone of the senate foreign relations committee had an engagement to see the president at the White House today before the cabinet meeting. Senator Stone was informed of the intentions of the administration as soon as the communication was completed by the President.

THE WORLD'S GREATEST BATTLE

The battle of Verdun—battle it may be called—is from the number of men engaged, from the length of time it has continued, from the losses inflicted, from the fury of onslaught after onslaught, through a period now in excess of two months, the most stupendous battle in the history of the world. It may be, for all time to come, the greatest of the world's battles. Men have been dreaming of an era when men shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks, and when the world shall not know war any more. If that era is ever to come, there is every reason to expect it hard upon the close of a war that involves the greater part of the world's population than any previous war has ever done. If it is capable of living at peace with itself, it should be able to arrive at a basis for such living following this conflict.

And just as this is the greatest of all wars, Verdun stands to be the greatest battle of this greatest war. The nine weeks of fighting treading down does not constitute the whole. What is to follow may be more stupendous than what has gone before. The German empire is reported as having recently said: "The war of 1870 was decided at Paris; the present war must end at Verdun." At about the same time, the ranking French general concluded an order to his soldiers with the words: "Have courage, we will get them." These statements are conclusive of two things. First, the Germans have no intention of abandoning the efforts to take Verdun. Second, the French have no intention of permitting Verdun to be taken. It is not only conclusive, but probable, that the conflict will end—at least that the decisive stroke will be made—on the line where the contending forces have so long been in deadlock.

Activities on the various other fronts, stretching over hundreds of miles, are, in the present aspect of things, are of decidedly minor importance. They have played their part in inflicting what looks to be the supreme event. But Verdun will probably stand out as the supreme event of the war. To all intents and purposes it will probably be the war. And, if it is that, it will be also the great dividing line between the order of things that has been and the order of things that is to be. After Verdun—if Verdun is what it seems to be, and what both sides believe it to be—the world can never again be what it was, and that is true regardless of whether Germany pushes the French back or whether France holds the Germans in their trenches until their strength is gone. By the side of Verdun, Salamis, Waterloo, Saratoga—all of the fifteen battles that Creasy in his matchless work classes as decisive—will fall into comparative insignificance.

Verdun, if it really is what it now appears to be, will take its place in history as the line between eras as the fall of the Roman empire, as the Renaissance, as the Protestant reformation—possibly more distinctive, even, than any of these, because it comes as

a sharp event, not as a movement progressing through many years. After Verdun—if the German emperor and the French general are correct in their estimate of what Verdun is to be—history can no longer be classified as ancient, medieval and modern. To the fall of Rome and the Renaissance will be added another dividing line. Some new name will have to be found for what is now called modern history will date from the day that one side or the other crumbles at Verdun.

What the new order is to be may or may not be apparent to the heretofore manifest spirit of the two contending forces. The entente, with France and Great Britain as the backbone of it, holds out the view that if it is triumphant there will follow a republicanism of Europe—which would mean substantially universal democracy, since the western hemisphere has already accomplished democracy for itself. The central powers, with Germany as the dominating force, holds out the view that if they triumph Europe will be reorganized on a basis of both individual and organized efficiency. The entente, or persons who assume to speak for it, hold that the efficiency idea would submerge the freedom of the individual. That Germany denies, and asserts for its principle the making of an even larger individual freedom. That remains to be worked out. At least, it remains for the world to see how the triumphant power has worked it out. The genuinely important thing is that the winning side will probably have the opportunity, unhampered by recurrent war, to work out its principle to a full and definite conclusion. And that, which ever side it is, means the making of a new world.—Nashville Tennessean.

THE ANSWER.

They were speaking of marriage proposals the other evening, when this story was recalled by Senator Benjamin R. Tillman of South Carolina.

Some time ago a young man became very much enamored of a beautiful girl, and meeting her at a reception one night he determined to know his fate.

"Miss Smith," said he, leading the beautiful girl amidst the palms and seating her on a soft sofa, "there is something that I must tell you, something that I—"

"All right, Mr. Jones," interposed the pretty one, "only you must hurry. I don't want to miss the next waltz."

"It is a question that lies near to my heart, Miss Smith," continued the young lover. "Could you—do you think you could marry a man like me?"

"Why, yes," was the calm reply of Miss Smith, "but if he is very much like you," Philadelphia Telegraph.

EUREKATON NEWS.

The weather last week looked like we were going to have some more winter.

A good crowd attended singing last Wednesday night with good behavior. Sunday being a fine day a big crowd enjoyed an excellent sermon by Bro. Oakley.

Miss Esther Stuart, a high school student, was with home folks Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Carrie Seymour spent Sunday with Jennie Craig.

Times don't seem hard from the way new buggies are spinning around, taking advantage of the good weather.

Several of the Hillville and Cedar Chapel boys attended preaching Sunday.

Miss Lucile Williams and T. G. Powell from Spring Hill were at Harmon Sunday.

Mr. Burchett Craig spent Saturday and Sunday in Brownsville.

Messrs. Taylor Hunter, Dan Phillips and Vernon Rodgers from Dancyville attended singing Wednesday night.

Rev. Jas. H. Oakley went to Oakland Sunday afternoon to attend the church to church campaign.

Miss Ethel Stuart, who is teaching near Bells, will be with home folks after this week.

To Mr. Dick Marshall and daughter who have moved into our neighborhood we extend a hearty welcome.

Messrs. Luther Mann and Currie were in our vicinity Sunday.

We are very sorry to know that Mrs. Hunter Stuart is no better at this writing.

A large crowd attended the B. Y. P. U. Sunday night.

Mrs. R. E. Seymour is spending the week in Dancyville.

EUREKATON NEWS.

As I have seen no news from this place in quite a while, will write a few items, hoping it will escape the waste basket.

Health is good except some bad colds in this community.

The farmers have been taking advantage of the sunny days this week planting their corn.

The roads are good. Expect to see the Fords out soon.

We are glad to report that Mrs. A. D. Jeter is up after a brief illness.



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HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

The stork visited our community last week, leaving with Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Stuart a fine girl.

Messrs. Henry and Homer Jeter have purchased new houses.

Our school has been very successful with Miss Wilson and Mrs. Kennedy. Hope they will continue here.

Mr. Johnnie Wallace was seen at his usual post Saturday afternoon.

We wish the Graphic much success. PEACH BLOSSOMS.

STATE GAME FARM IS ESTABLISHED AT GLENDALE ZOO

Pens Will be Used for Propagation of Ring-Neck Pheasants.

W. D. Howser, state game warden, announced Monday that the state will establish a game farm at Glendale zoo in Nashville, this season.

Arrangements have been made with the management of Glendale looking to this end. The state will use the pens, and will immediately build a number of new ones, as well as a rearing field. The farm is only temporary, and will be used this season exclusively for the propagation of ring-neck pheasants.

Besides furnishing the state with their pens and rearing field, the management of the park have made the state a present of their stock of pheasants, and a number of birds have been secured from different breeders throughout the country. The pheasant is a bird that propagates very rapidly, and it is hoped soon to have a large supply of these birds on hand at the park.

Mr. Howser thates that while the establishment of a temporary ground is being worked on at this time, he hopes to establish a permanent farm next year. He is very appreciative of the kindness of the park management and of the valuable assistance rendered in the matter by Percy Warner and John A. Murkin. Mr. Howser says that if it had not been for the assistance rendered by these gentlemen he does not believe he could have made the arrangement for the temporary farm. He is also very appreciative of the Glendale management in furnishing a superintendent for the farm, and all of the donations and privileges being granted at absolutely no cost to the state.

A number of counties have made offers to the state to have the permanent farm located in them, and these offers will be carefully investigated by Mr. Howser and the officials of the department before a final permanent location is decided upon.

The ring-neck pheasant is strictly a game bird, and next year Mr. Howser will probably make arrangements with sportsmen throughout the state to raise these birds and it is hoped to have Tennessee well stocked with them in a few years.

FROM JONES.

The farmers are looking long-faced over the cold weather. They are getting behind with their spring plowing.

The members of Jones Sunday school are quite busy getting the church ready for Brother Pigue, who will preach there Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at night. Bro. Pigue is an able minister and we are glad to have him in our midst.

We learned today that Mr. Volter Mann would soon start his mill here that has been idle so long. It will furnish work to the sons of rest and be a great help to Jones.

There was a light frost Sunday morning, but hardly think it killed the peaches as the leaves were large enough to protect them to some extent.

Mr. Howell Hawkins says it is like walking now to drive Old Prince to carry the mail. But listen, he has a brand new five passenger car and has been having a big time. Mr. Hawkins is a jolly good fellow, kind to the aged and kids alike and runs his car in the afternoon for their pleasure.

The roads are fine here, much to the credit of Sol Williams, our overseer.

The singing here every Sunday evening is drawing large crowds, also the prayer meetings Wednesday and Sunday nights are doing much good.

Mrs. Maggie Taylor has been on the sick list this week.

Mr. Vernon Booth is having his new postoffice built, getting ready to move in.

The Easter services here will be held at the church. Many interesting pieces have been selected by the committees. Everybody invited.

Mrs. Sallie McQuarry and her daughter are visiting Mrs. Nettie Williams this week.

Mrs. Laura Jones is confined to her bed with a badly sprained ankle. It was thought at first her ankle was broken, but her physician was called at once and he said there were no bones broken, but that it was a bad sprain. We hope to see her out again soon.

Miss Evie Rankins is the minister-angel at the bedside of Mrs. Laura Jones this week while she is suffering so with her sprained ankle.

GUESS WHO.

PROGRAM

For the Fifth Sunday Meeting at Woodland Church, Haywood County.

Saturday, April 29, 30, 1916.

TEME—THE CHURCH

9:45—Devotional—G. H. Freeman

10:00—The Church Defined and Organized. What? When? Where?

10:45 to 11:15—The Scriptural Form of Church Government—B. Matthews

11:30—Sermon—The Glory of the Church—J. W. Dickson

Dinner.

CONFERENCE FOR MEN.

2:00—The Problem of Reaching and General Discussion.

CONFERENCE FOR WOMEN.

(At the School House.)

2:00, 3:00—The Problem of Developing Women in the Church.

1—What Women Can do and How to do it.

Mrs. A. T. Barrett, Mrs. H. E. Watters

2—Mission Study, What and How to do it.

3—Address—Miss Maude Fullerton

3:00-3:30—The Ordinances of the Church—E. L. Atwood

3:30—The Social Problems of the Church—A. R. McGehee

SUNDAY.

10:00-10:15—Devotional—Len Claybrook

10:16-10:45—The Organized Class.

General Discussion—H. E. Watters

10:45-11:30—Address, The King's Teacher and His Text Book—T. A. Barrett

11:30—Sermon, The Comforting Doctrines of the Church—L. P. Royer

Dinner.

2:00—Individual Members Responsible to the Business and Financial Interests of the Church, Loyalty, Attendance, Etc.—L. A. Ashley, A. M. Marr

General Discussion.

3:00—What Baptists Have Done for the World—C. H. Warren

Special music by J. R. G. Quartette.

Messrs. Warren, Skinner Ashley, Royer

ANNUAL MISSIONARY MEETING

The annual meeting of the Memphis Conference Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will be held in Covington, Tenn., April 25-28. It will be a notable gathering of the Methodist missionary workers of West Tennessee and southwestern Kentucky and a large attendance of delegates and visitors is expected. Bishop W. B. Murrah of Memphis will deliver the opening address, and Miss Ella Sue Warner of Songdo, Korea, and Mrs. S. H. Harris, field secretary of the Woman's Missionary Council, will be present throughout the entire session.

Babies and Growing Children need a tonic to tone up the system and regulate the liver. Mothers are constantly using with wonderful success our "Plantation" Chill and Fever Tonic. Pleasant to take—contains no calomel. Price 50c.

HAD POOR CHANCE.

A new minister in a rural district who wished to make the acquaintance of the members of his congregation and also to discover whether they were pleased with his discourse or not, met an old farmer whose face he recognized as one who had attended the church the previous Sunday, and, stopping him, said:

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Just a swallerin' down the best of your sermon; 'n' what reached me was purty poor stuff, purty poor stuff.—Chicago News.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NOTES

The Presbytery of Memphis adjourned on Thursday afternoon April 13 after a successful meeting. The officers who presided at this session were: moderator Rev. R. P. Walker, of Covington Tenn; temporary clerk, Rev. C. A. Harper, of Somerville, Tenn., and stated clerk Dr. J. H. Lumpkin of Memphis. Most of the afternoon and morning sessions were taken up with matters of business pertaining to the church. Then the evening meetings were more of a devotional nature. On Wednesday evening a foreign missionary program was held. Rev. L. C. Vass, a returned missionary from Africa, presided while the following speakers took part: Mr. Mason, layman from the Second Presbyterian church of Memphis; Dr. Nisbet, amissionary on furlough from Korea; and Dr. Wm. Crowe of the Idlewild Presbyterian church of Memphis. The subject of missions was discussed from all sides—both practical and theoretical—and the talks were both interesting and inspiring to a large crowd. On Thursday evening, although Presbytery had adjourned, Dr. A. B. Currie, of Memphis, preached a that strongly moved the large audience that heard him. At 11 a. m. both Wednesday and Thursday special addresses were made. On the first day Rev. C. O. Gross made a strong appeal for the cause of Home Missions; while at the latter time Dr. C. H. Williamson, of Memphis read a scholarly and entertaining paper on the Various Translations of the Bible prior to the King James Version. Before adjourning the Presbytery adopted resolutions thanking heartily the people of the church and of the whole town for their warm hospitality.

Special Easter Services will be held at the Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning April 23rd. Special music will be rendered at that time by the choir. The subject of the sermon at that time will be 'If Christ has not been Resurrected.' All are cordially invited to attend his service.

On Sunday May 28th, special revival services will begin in this church. The preaching will be done by Dr. Wm. Crowe, pastor of the Idlewild Presbyterian church, Memphis. All of those who have heard Dr. Crowe know that he is a scholarly, eloquent and magnetic speaker. We are sure that the whole community will be benefited by his presence with us.

PRIMARY ELECTION OFFICERS

The following officers, clerks and judges have been appointed to hold the county primary on May 10, 1916.

Hillville, No. 1—J. J. Kelso, officer; A. E. Hardister, John Sammons, Will Ford, judges; Leroy Doyle, Benny Wilkes, clerks.

Eurekaton, No. 1—Jeff Gilliam, officer; R. L. Newsom, J. C. Cook, D. P. Jeter, judges; Ernest Coffey, R. S. Seymour, clerks.

Dancyville, No. 2—Norman Wilkerson, officer; J. T. Hunter, D. J. McCol, Dave Phillips, clerks; Fred Jones, W. A. Martin, clerks.

Shelby, No. 2—J. A. Hinsley, officer; Will Campbell, M. J. Jones, Albert Powell, judges; W. R. Gailor, Ed. Buford, clerks.

Stanton, No. 3—John Ware, officer; L. C. Newman, J. F. Ragland, Flen Williams, judges; Blandie Coppedge, W. W. Hicks, clerks.

Holly Grove, No. 4—Walter Beard, officer; J. H. Clark, E. T. Hooper, John Barton, judges; A. J. Newland, Harbert Rice, clerks.

Holly Grove, No. 5—Charlie Hill, officer; D. B. Carr, G. T. Lott, J. B. Booth, judges; B. A. Brantley, L. S. Williams, clerks.

Allen's Station, No. 5—J. H. Carvin, officer; W. A. Chapman, W. S. Webb, H. J. Duke, judges; John R. Walker, Harbert Thornton, clerks.

Dezern's School House, No. 6—Albert Mann, Jr., officer; J. J. Crowder, James Mulligan, J. C. Dezern, judges; D. Z. Suddeth, A. J. Cozart, clerks.

Brownsville, No. 7—L. S. Covington, officer; Henry Williams, F. L. Cuthbert, W. P. Harvey, judges; J. T. Mann Edwin Drake, clerks.

Rudolph, No. 8—Louis Hopkins, officer; A. O. Mann, J. F. Christie, Wiley Harwell, judges; Herbert Taylor, Willy Smith, clerks.

Lebanon, No. 9—J. A. Richardson, officer; G. A. Powell, W. G. Coleman, W. R. Wilkes, judges; A. M. Estes, Oliver McConico, clerks.

Forked Deer, No. 10—John English, officer; W. J. Humphries, J. E. Griffin, John Allen, judges; G. T. Stanley, Alvin Hardy, clerks.